To : Fairfax County Board of Supervisors

From: Gerry Hyland, Supervisor

Mount Vernon District

Subject: BOARD MATTERS for June 2, 2015

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For your consideration, I submit the following Board Matters accompanied by a brief explanation. Your support will be appreciated.

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## Background

After twenty-three years of public office, State Senator Toddy Puller will finish her term of office later this year in order to spend more time with her children and grandchildren. Toddy has been a strong and vocal advocate for the residents of her district, which spans Fairfax, Prince William and Stafford Counties. Toddy's service began in the House of Delegates in 1991 and then into the State Senate in 1999. She made assistance for Veterans and Transportation the hallmarks of her campaigns and terms of office. As daughter-in-law to the legendary Marine General Chesty Puller, and widow to the Pulitzer Prize winning author, Marine Officer and Vietnam Veteran, Lewis Puller, Jr., she has helped improve the lives of Armed Forces veterans throughout the Commonwealth. Also, without her assistance, Fairfax County would not have had the funding for the Richmond Highway location study, its widening, or the Richmond Highway Transit Study among many more initiatives she helped champion for us in the General Assembly.

## Proposed Action

Therefore, Madam Chairman, I ask, with unanimous consent, that the Board of Supervisors direct the Office of Public Affairs to invite Senator Puller to come before the Board of Supervisors to be recognized for her contributions and service.

## **Board Matter Pun**

What does a nosey pepper do? Get jalapeño business.